

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.(original) A method of processing a sampled signal stream containing at least one spread spectrum signal comprising the steps of processing samples at a first bit level and, either in parallel or subsequently, processing samples at a second bit level, different from the first bit level.

2.(original) A method according to claim 1 wherein a change from processing the samples at the first bit level to the second bit level occurs upon experiencing difficulty acquiring a spread spectrum signal.

3.(original) A method according to claim 1 wherein the signal stream contains a GPS spread spectrum signal; wherein the step of processing samples at a first bit level is used to acquire the GPS signal; and wherein the step of processing samples at a second bit level is used to measure a pseudorange from the GPS signal.

4.(original) A method according to claim 1 wherein the signal stream is sampled at a higher bit level than at least one of the first or second bit levels; and wherein the samples are processed at one of either the first or second bit levels by selectively ignoring bits of the signal samples.

5.(original) A method according to claim 1 wherein the signal stream is sampled at a varying bit level of either first or second bit levels corresponding to the bit level at which those samples will be processed.

6.(original) A method according to claim 1 wherein the samples are processed in parallel at first and second bit levels for the purposes of acquiring respective spread spectrum signals.

7.(original) A method according to claim 1 wherein the samples are processed in parallel at first and second bit levels for the purposes of acquiring the same spread spectrum signal.

8.(currently amended) A receiver configured to receive and sample a signal containing at least one spread spectrum signal, and to process that signal by a method according to claim 1 ~~any of the previous claims~~.

9.(currently amended) A computer configured to receive a sampled signal containing at least one spread spectrum signal from an external receiver, and to process that signal by a method according to ~~any of claim 1 to 7~~.

10.(currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium having recorded thereon a computer program comprising instructions for performing a method according to ~~any of claim 1 to 7~~.

11.(currently amended) A computer program comprising instructions for performing a method according to ~~any of claim 1 to 7~~.